



NEWS RELEASE

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United States Attorney Deborah R. Gilg and the Nebraska State Patrol announce the following information for the attention of the media:

Event Triggering this Release:

Joshua Gall, 24, was sentenced for receiving child pornography. The Honorable Laurie A. Smith Camp sentenced Gall to 8 years imprisonment. After Gall's release from imprisonment, he will begin a five -year term of supervised release.

In October 2008, an investigator with the Mitchell, South Dakota, Police Department alerted the Nebraska State Patrol that two Mitchell area girls, ages 13 and 15, had sent lascivious photographs to Joshua Gall. The photographs were sent to Gall's cell phone. The 13-year-old met Gall on the Internet and began to send him photographs that were progressively more risque. The 15-year-old admitted sending risque photos of herself to Gall.

The Nebraska State Patrol executed a search warrant on Gall's residence in Omaha. Gall admitted to receiving sexually explicit photos from the 13-year-old and the 15-year-old. He forwarded the photos from his cell phone to his computer.

This case was brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative to combat the growing epidemic of child sexual exploitation and abuse launched in May 2006 by the Department of Justice. Led by United States Attorneys' Offices and the Criminal Division's Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section (CEOS), Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state and local resources to better locate, apprehend and prosecute individuals who exploit children via the Internet, as well as to identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit www.projectsafefchildhood.gov.

Name of Defendant: Joshua Gall

AKA:

Age: 24

City of residence: Omaha, Nebraska

Crime(s) Charged and Potential Penalty (A CHARGE is merely an accusation and every defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty): Receipt and Distribution of Child Pornography; 5-20 years imprisonment; \$250,000 fine; at least 5 years of supervised release; \$100 special assessment

Specific Location of Alleged Crime: Omaha, Nebraska

Location of Arrest: Omaha, Nebraska

Alleged Dollar Loss/Type and Quantity of Drug:

Others Charged in Same Scheme:

Relevant Dates:

Date of Alleged Crime: between approximately January 2008 and continuing into approximately April 2008

Federal Arrest Date: March 2, 2009

Date Complaint Issued:

Indictment Returned Date: January 22, 2009

Initial Appearance Date: March 2, 2009

Plea or Trial and Date(s): July 21, 2009

Sentencing Date: November 16, 2009

Next Court Hearing Type and Date: N/A

Assigned Magistrate Judge: The Honorable F.A. Gossett, III

Held without Bond, or Released from Custody: Released on bond with electronic monitoring and pretrial supervision

In Continuous Custody Since:

Assigned District Court Judge: The Honorable Laurie Smith Camp

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